

Table 2**Work, Farm, Home, and School Statistics**Source: *N.C. Health Statistics Pocket Guide – 1999*, Center for Health Informatics and Statistics

	United States	North Carolina	Number of States Higher
Civilian Labor Force, 1997 (millions)	136.3	3.8	10
Participation Rate ¹			
Males	75.0	75.8	24
Females	59.8	61.9	22
Percent Unemployed	4.9	3.6	40
Males	4.9	3.4	41
Females	5.0	3.9	35
Employees in Nonagricultural Establishments, 1998 (millions) ²	125.8	3.8	9
Percent Employed in Manufacturing	14.9	21.9	3
Avg. Hourly Earnings of Manufacturing Production Workers, 1998	\$13.49	\$11.84	41
Annual Percent Increase Since 1990	3.1	4.3	2
Average Annual Pay, 1997 ³	\$30,336	\$26,672	28
Full-time Equivalent Employees of State/Local Government, 1997			
State Employees per 10,000 Population ^{4,5}	149	165	26
Local Gov. Employees per 10,000 Pop. ⁵	382	395	10
Mo. payroll per State Employee (in March) ^{4,6}	\$3,292	\$2,969	24
Number of Farms, 1998 (thousands) ⁴	2,192	58	14
Average Acreage per Farm, 1998 ⁴	435	162	41
Crop Value, 1997 (billions) ^{4,7}	\$108.8	\$2.6	14
Number of Households, 1996 (millions)	98.8	2.8	9
Annual Percent Increase Since 1990	1.2	1.8	13
New Privately Owned Single Family Housing Units Started, 1999 (thousands)	1,286.0	64.9	4
Public Elementary and Secondary Schools			
Per Capita Expenditures, 1998 ⁵	\$1,210	\$1,013	41
Average Expenditures per Pupil, 1998 ⁸	\$6,548	\$5,830	32
Average Salary of Classroom Teachers, 1998 (thousands)	\$39.4	\$33.3	36

¹Persons 16 and older in the civilian labor force as a percent of civilian noninstitutional population. ²Excludes proprietors, self-employed, farmworkers, unpaid family workers, domestic workers, and Armed Forces. ³Workers covered by unemployment laws; excludes most agricultural workers on small farms, Armed Forces, elected officials, railroad, domestic, and self-employed individuals. ⁴Excludes the District of Columbia. ⁵Based on estimated population as of July 1, 1997. ⁶Monthly earnings for full-time employees. ⁷Excludes Alaska. ⁸In average daily attendance.